

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 2426

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to soldiers and sailors; creating certain fund; providing for administration; providing for expenditures for certain services; specifying amount of expenditures; providing qualifications for certain organizations; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 34 of Title 72, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund for the patriotic and veterans organizations of this state that provide military funeral detail services to be designated the "Military Funeral Detail Service Fund" and administered by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs. The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all monies received by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs designated for the fund. All monies accruing to the credit of the fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs pursuant to an approved application submitted by patriotic or veterans organizations that perform the funeral detail service. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of State Finance for approval and payment.

B. Expenditures made to a qualified organization shall be in the amount of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). The patriotic or veterans organization shall be situated in this state and the military funeral detail service shall be for the interment of an Oklahoma veteran who was honorably discharged from the United States Armed Forces. The minimum requirements for the application to be submitted to the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs shall be:

1. A copy of the DD-214 form;
2. The death certificate; and
3. A statement of performance of the service and the name of the organization.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2006.

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